officer or employee of the U.S. Department of Agriculture to whom authority has heretofore been delegated, or to whom authority may hereafter be delegated, to act in his stead.

§ 1205.302 Act.

Act means the Cotton Research and Promotion Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. 2101–2118; Public Law 89–502, 80 Stat 279, as amended).

[56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§ 1205.303 Person.

Person means any individual, partnership, corporation, association, or any other entity.

§1205.304 Cotton.

Cotton means:

- (a) All Upland cotton harvested in the United States, and, except as used in §§1205.311 and 1205.335, includes cottonseed of such cotton and the products derived from such cotton and its seed, and
- (b) Imports of Upland cotton, including the Upland cotton content of the products derived thereof. The term "cotton" shall not, however, include:
- (1) Any entry of imported cotton by an importer which has a value or weight less than a de minimis amount established in regulations issued by the Secretary and
- (2) Industrial products as that term is defined by regulation.

[56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§ 1205.305 Upland cotton.

Upland cotton means all cultivated varieties of the species Gossypium hirsutum L.

[56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§1205.306 Bale.

Except as used in §1205.322, Bale means the package of lint cotton produced at a cotton gin or the amount of processed cotton in a manufactured product that is equivalent to a 500 pound bale of lint cotton.

[56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§ 1205.307 Fiscal period.

Fiscal period is the 12-month budgetary period and means the calendar year unless the Cotton Board, with the approval of the Secretary, selects some other 12-months budgetary period.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§1205.308 Cotton Board.

Cotton Board means the administrative body established pursuant to §1205.318.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§1205.309 Producer.

Producer means any person who shares in a cotton crop actually harvested on a farm, or in the proceeds thereof, as an owner of the farm, cash tenant, landlord of a share tenant, share tenant, or sharecropper.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§1205.310 Importer.

Importer means many person who enters, or withdraws from warehouse, cotton for consumption in the customs territory of the United States, and the term import means any such entry.

[56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§1205.311 Handler.

Handler means any person who handles cotton, including the Commodity Credit Corporation.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§ 1205.312 Handle.

Handle means to harvest, gin, warehouse, compress, purchase, market, transport, or otherwise acquire ownership or control of cotton.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§1205.313 United States.

United States means the 50 States of the United States of America.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§ 1205.314 Cotton-producing State

Cotton-producing State means each of the following States and combinations of States:

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Alabama-Florida; Arizona; Arkansas; California-Nevada; Georgia; Louisiana; Mississippi; Missouri-Illinois; New Mexico; North Carolina-Virginia; Oklahoma; South Carolina; Tennessee-Kentucky; Texas.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§1205.315 Marketing.

Marketing includes the sale of cotton or the pledging of cotton to the Commodity Credit Corporation as collateral for a price support loan.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§ 1205.316 Cotton-Producer organiza-

Cotton-Producer organization means any organization which has been certified by the Secretary pursuant to §1205.341.

[56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§ 1205.317 Cotton-Importer organization.

Cotton-Importer organization means any organization which has been certified by the Secretary pursuant to §1205.342.

 $[56 \; \mathrm{FR} \; 64472, \; \mathrm{Dec.} \; 10, \; 1991]$

§ 1205.318 Contracting organization or association.

Contracting organization or association means the organization or association with which the Cotton Board has entered into a contract or agreement pursuant to §1205.328(c).

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§ 1205.319 Cotton-producing region.

Cotton-producing region means each of the following groups of cotton-producing States:

- (a) Southeast Region: Alabama-Florida, Georgia, North Carolina-Virginia, and South Carolina;
- (b) Midsouth Region: Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri-Illinois, and Tennessee-Kentucky:
- (c) Southwest Region: Oklahoma and Texas;
- (d) Western Region: Arizona, California-Nevada, and New Mexico.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§1205.320 Marketing year.

Marketing year means a consecutive 12-month period ending on July 31.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

§ 1205.321 Part and subpart.

Part means the cotton research and promotion order and all rules, regulations and supplemental orders issued pursuant to the act and the order, and the aforesaid order shall be a "subpart" of such part.

[31 FR 16758, Dec. 31, 1966. Redesignated at 56 FR 64472, Dec. 10, 1991]

COTTON BOARD

§ 1205.322 Establishment and membership.

- (a) There is hereby established a Cotton Board composed of:
- (1) Representatives of cotton producers, each of whom shall have an alternate, selected by the Secretary from nominations submitted by eligible producer organizations within a cotton-producing state, as certified pursuant to §1205.341, or, if the Secretary determines that a substantial number of producers are not members of or their interests are not represented by any such eligible organizations, from nominations made by producers in a manner authorized by the Secretary, and
- (2) Representatives of cotton importers, each of whom shall have an alternate, selected by the Secretary from nominations submitted by eligible importer organizations, as certified pursuant to §1205.342, or, if the Secretary determines that a substantial number of importers are not members of or their interests are not represented by any such eligible organization, from nominations made by importers in a manner authorized by the Secretary.
- (b) Representation on the Cotton Board shall be as follows:
- (1) Each cotton-producing state shall have at least one member and an additional member for each 1 million bales or major fraction (more than half) thereof of cotton produced in the state and marketed above one million bales during the period specified in the regulations for determining Board membership; and